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PATENT

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Varadi *et al.*

Application No.: 10/816,099

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For: KITS FOR MEASURING  
THROMBIN GENERATION

Customer No.: 44183

Confirmation No. 9454

Examiner: Kosson

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1653

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following response. A petition for a two-month extension of time to extend the period of response to on or before January 1, 2006, accompanies this response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.